

Do your Christmas shopping in Stevens Point; watch the columns of The Gazette for holiday announcements of progressive, reliable merchants.

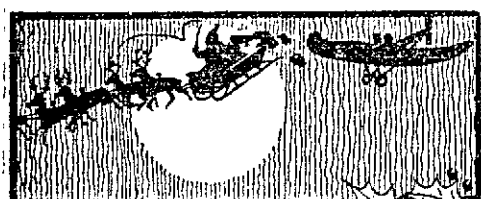
Santa Claus in the Movies

By GENE MORGAN

OUR information is in part correct," said Santa Claus, receiving the interviewer in the library of his ice palace. "It is true that I have received several flattering offers to star in moving picture productions. But it is not true that I have accepted any one of these propositions. I am still in doubt as to whether it would be the proper thing."

"I have my duty to the children of this world, and I must not impair my health or my power of service to them by the strenuous work demanded in the movies. No doubt I would prove a very popular star at the children's matinees. But I wonder if the children who see me in their dreams do not get a better and more flattering idea of me than they would in the picture."

"You see, my dear sir, the camera does not lie. I am sure it would not lie for me when it will not tell falsehoods about the appearance of kings and potentates. Every child in the world thinks of me as a very handsome old gentleman. Some of them may have an idea that I am inclined to be a little stout—but a good many others imagine I have as graceful a form as that of a young soldier. They think I curl my whiskers and have a beautiful wave in my long, silky locks."



"Your Uncle Santa is Getting Fat."

"They are not aware that your uncle Santa is getting so fat that there isn't room in the sleigh for himself and the larger toys. Nor that my noble mane of hair isn't what it used to be. If people ever sent me presents—which,

of course, does not occur to them—I should like to murmur a little wish for a bottle of hair tonic."

"One moving picture firm wants to put me into a play. The plot is something like this: I am driving my reindeer over the treetops, when I am set upon by a band of aeroplane pirates. The pirates make me hold up my hands and then divest me of my stock of toys. Just when the banditplane is about to fly away, leaving me in distress, the chief of the robbers makes a discovery."

"Amid the pack of toys he finds a rag doll. By the tag around its neck he sees that it has been addressed to his little daughter. My thoughtfulness in remembering his little girl, despite her father's profession, touches the bandit's heart. He weeps, and then to the astonishment of his pals, he orders them to lift me into the aeroplane."

"Now, Mr. Claus," he says, according to the subtitle, "we are going to deliver your toys for you all over the world tonight. Give us directions, and we will fly wherever you command."

"So at my direction, the bandit's aeroplane starts delivering the toys, making much better time, let me tell you, than my poor reindeer who were left behind. Things are going along fine. Our aeroplane toy conveyance has covered Canada, the United States, Australia and South Africa, when suddenly, to our dismay, we find that we are being pursued."

"More pirates?" I ask in alarm.

"No, the aero-police!" shouts my pirate friend.

"The police had found my empty sleigh and motionless reindeer. They naturally concluded that I had been robbed and kidnapped. Now they are on the trail of my captors. The pirates are very much afraid that if arrested, they will be hanged at once. The police craft is gaining upon us. In order that the pirates may escape, they decide they must throw all of my toys overboard. The vicious crew demands that your old friend St. Nick be thrown overboard too, as I am pretty heavy, besides being the cause of all the trouble."

"The race continues through the sky."

"I want to raise the white flag as a token of surrender. I pledge myself to the captain of the pirate aeroplane that I will plead the cause of himself and his crew and secure their release from the police. I tell them that the police will do them no harm, after I have explained their kindness in carrying my toys all over the world."

"The police craft is now so close that escape seems impossible."

"Give me a white flag," I cry.

"There isn't a white flag on board—nothing but black flags," says the pirate. "Hurry up and do something. You have no time to lose. If you don't surrender they will shell us. And in that case, we will have to throw you overboard, St. Nick."

"My mind works quickly. I have no white flag. My handkerchief, like those of the pirate's is a red bandanna. What am I to do? Whiz! Another shell rips past our airship."

"Ah! I have it. It is the scheme that saves the day."

The interviewer at this point leaped to his feet and shouted in excitement:

"Well, what do you do to have your life?"

"I wave my white whiskers at 'em," replied Santa Claus, proudly. "It is the signal of truce. Our lives and our precious cargo of toys are spared. What do you think of that idea for a play? They want to name it, 'Santa Claus in High Life.' Do you think I would make a hit as the star? Well, I'm glad you think so."

PROFIT FROM THE WAR

Tradesmen of Saloniki Find Relief
Soldiers of the Allies Good Customers.

With the coming of the relief armies landed by the Allies for the succor of the hard-pressed Servians, the tradesmen of the Greek port Saloniki, say the reports from the near east, have flourished as seldom before, and the Dunmeh, Jew and Greek are said to have found this stage of the world-war a special windfall to themselves. Wealth is very unevenly distributed in this little port, where Greek, Jew and Bulgarian have been held to poverty through years of Turkish administration. There is, however, one very rich clique in Saloniki, which is described in the following war primer just issued by the National Geographic Society:

"First among Saloniki's citizens of wealth, who are now enjoying the opportunity of purveying in wholesale quantities to French and British soldiers, are the Dunmehs, a sect, or rather a community peculiar to the city. They are Jews, who, the stranger is told, have been converted to Mohammedanism. Just how successful their conversion really was no one knows, but there is an interesting legend which embodies the traditions of their establishment. The story is that some centuries ago a certain Jew of Saloniki, Sabatai Sevi by name, became convinced that he was the Savior prophesied for his race. He declared himself to his people in Saloniki as their long-awaited redeemer, and soon won a strong and enthusiastic following. The Turkish Sultan, unwilling that redeemers should flourish under the crescent, or that a dangerous fanatic power the more should develop under his sway, had Sabatai Sevi arrested and brought before him at Constantinople. The story of the reformer found no favor at the palace, and he was given the alternative of death or conversion to Mohammedanism with his entire flock. The legend concludes that he, and his, chose the Koran in preference to death."

This formal conversion to Mohammedanism has been the great commercial asset of the successful trade many generations of the Dunmehs through at Saloniki. With all the business keenness of the Jew, they combined all the privileges of the ruling Ottoman man, and were thus among the most able traders within the Ottoman Empire. It has been said that they profited from the Mohammedanism merely for fessed Mohammedanism merely for safety, and that they have continued their religion in secret. In any case, they are not fanatics, although through the years of Turkish rule of Saloniki they were accepted by the ruling race as co-religionists."

"The richest people in Saloniki, they have jealously guarded whatever their secrets may be, and, in Turkish garb, they have gone their way through centuries quietly and industriously amassing fortunes. They dextrously married outside their own sect, nor sought beyond their fold for other forms of social relationships. Their community keeps to itself, with its education, its own social life, and its own success. For many years, these people thrived by sub-letting rights to gather tithes for the government at Constantinople. Today, with their advantages of wealth, they form a most exclusive cast of Saloniki contractors and merchants."

ATTEND GUERNSEY MEET.

Among those who attended the annual meeting of the Guernsey Breeders' association of Portage and Waupaca counties at Waupaca on Saturday, November 27, were the following from this county: Albert Englund, L. Zbilski, Roman Zbilski, George Larson, Amherst Junction, and L. L. Loberg, Martin Moe, George Larson, E. L. Leppin, L. E. Gordon, A. A. Peterson, C. A. Peterson and Arthur Peterson, Nelsonville. All the old officers of the association were re-elected and it was voted to hold the annual picnic of the organization at the L. E. Gordon farm near Nelsonville next June.

OUR CLUBBING OFFER.

Through a special arrangement we are able to offer a clubbing rate of four dollars a year for The Gazette and the Milwaukee Daily Journal. The Gazette is the most widely read newspaper in Central Wisconsin, presents all the news in a clean, readable manner, with special attention to the rural districts; the Milwaukee Journal is a metropolitan newspaper in every sense of the word. The regular price of The Gazette is two dollars and of the Milwaukee Journal two and a half. Send us your order for both at four dollars, strictly in advance.

CANCER ON INCREASE.

Madison, Wis.—Wisconsin's mortality from cancer shows a steady rise. From 1,513 deaths in 1908 to 1,716 in 1914, each year has shown an increase. For the nation as a whole the same condition is true. The average annual death rate from cancer for Wisconsin in the last seven years was 1,647. At ages over forty, one person in eleven dies of cancer.

"Largely because of public ignorance and neglect," declares the state board of health, "cancer now proves fatal in over 90 per cent of the cases." These precautions are suggested: "Fear the beginning of cancer; never be afraid to know the truth; any painless lump or sore appearing on your body should be examined by your physician; by the time a cancer has become painful the best chance for its cure has passed; but even a painful cancer can be permanently removed if it has not extended too far beyond the place where it began."

"Medicine which relieves pain does not have any effect upon the disease itself; it simply produces a period of freedom from discomfort treatment," it says.

Do your Christmas shopping in Stevens Point; watch the columns of The Gazette for holiday announcements of progressive, reliable merchants.

NELSONVILLE.

(Too late for last week.)

O. L. Gordon went to Stevens Point on Monday to remain the rest of the week. Mr. Gordon is one of the members of the county board.

Oscar Loberg is ill with pleurisy. Clarence Waller, who is attending the business college at Wausau, spent the Thanksgiving vacation at his home near Amherst Junction.

Joe Briggs, who is agent for Dr. Tanner's remedies, passed through our village Tuesday on his way to Garfield.

Mrs. Joe Viverie entertained a few of her lady friends last Tuesday afternoon in honor of her birthday anniversary.

Arnold Waller, who is attending the Scandinavia academy, spent Thanksgiving at his home near Nelsonville.

Lewis Hankey returned from Almond last Saturday after spending a few days with relatives.

CORPS AND CORPSE.

Never having used the final "e" in her own spelling of the word "corpse," Mrs. Marceline Germain of Donaldson, Mich., was prostrated with grief upon receipt of an official communication announcing the fact that her brother, Eli Jollicouer, had joined the U. S. Marine Corps and had named her as next of kin to be notified in case of death.

"If my brother is a corps, of what did he die?" she wrote to Captain H. T. Swain in charge of the Portland, Ore., recruiting station of the United States Marine Corps, who had enlisted the man and was responsible for the notification.

The recruiting officer, by return mail, bade the sorrowing sister cease mourning, and assured her that the "corps" to which her brother had lately attached himself was the "livest" kind of an organization.

TWAS HIS JIMMIE PIPE.

In case my friends desert me,
My friendship they disclaim,
They'll find me not deserted,
I've one friend just the same.

A friend who's ever faithful,
Loving, kind, and true to me,
My dull cares puts to chase,
And treats me soothingly.

He drives away my longings,
The spirit clouded bad,
He soothes my aching brow
When I'm indispensed and sad.

He disburdens me of ennui,
Of my soulful blues and woes,
He expels the homesick feeling
When my heart fonder grows.

Sure no Ladylove has power,
To separate us two,
Our love for one another
Is undying and true-blue.

Perhaps I'd better tell you,
Before I close my type,
That this firm friend o'mine,
Is a soothing rosewood pipe.

Frank B. Shannock.

THE GOOD JUDGE IS SORRY FOR THOSE MEN WHO ARE SLOW TO LEARN.

LOOK AT THE SIZE OF THAT! HE TURNS HIS BACK.

YES, MOST MEN DO UNTIL THEY LEARN THAT THE REAL TOBACCO CHEW SATISFIES WITH LESS THAN ONE-QUARTER THE SIZE CHEW OF ORDINARY TOBACCO.



SOME men are so used to taking a big wad of ordinary tobacco that it seems to be hard for them to remember that W-B CUT Chewing—the Real Tobacco Chew, new cut, long shred—is rich tobacco; that a small chew satisfies.

Tell such men to give it a quality test—to take a small chew and to notice how the salt brings out the rich tobacco taste.

Made by WEYMAN-BRUTON COMPANY, 50 Union Square, New York City

COLDS COSTLY THIS YEAR.

Aside from the discomfort of having a cold, there will be a new incentive to avoid that affliction this winter. To get rid of a cold will cost more this winter, the most since 1870.

Dealers in drugs say that more medicine is taken for colds than nearly all other ailments combined, and on the basis of the advance in wholesale prices of the drugs usually used for a cold, the cost will be five or six times that of last winter. Perhaps the retail druggist will not add to the whole increase.

The advance in prices of drugs began at the outbreak of the European war. Then prices jumped suddenly, but by December they had settled back. In the past four months they have been advancing again.

Here are some of the changes in wholesale prices of drugs used for colds:

	Yesterday	Last year
Quinine (ounce).....	\$17.50	.25
Aspirin (ounce).....	.85	.45
Acetanlid (pound)....	1.50	.30
Phenacetin (pound)....	8.00	1.10
Calomel (pound).....	20.00	1.15
Glycerin (pound).....	.50	.24

The price of salts has more than trebled and chlorate potashes have more than quadrupled.

Drug men say this quinine supply comes from Java now instead of from Peru, as we learned in the old geographical.

Alcohol seems to be the only drug that remains unchanged in price. Carbolic acid is ten times higher than a year ago. It is also reported that large quantities of bromine and chlorine, from which suffocating gases have been made, are being shipped to Europe.

Nap Trading Co. can SAVE YOU DOLLARS

on Furniture, Bedding, Sewing Machines, Stoves, Ranges, Washing Machines and Pianos. Only High Grade Goods are handled. The well known

MONARCH Ranges
REGAL Peninsular Base Burner
KROHLER Davenport
SCHUMANN Pianos
P & H Furniture
TUTOR Electric Wash Machine
AUTOMATIC self-rocking Cradles

have undisputedly built up a reputation for our firm, and we place them anywhere in competition with any other high grade goods.

OUR PRICES Will Surprise You

Operating our numerous lines under one expense, in one building and with one system, enables us to sell at the lowest prices. Before you Buy elsewhere Come and See Us. You won't feel sorry.

Nap Trading Co.

121 N. Second Street
Half Block North of Square

JEWELRY

VICTROLAS

DIAMONDS

HOLIDAY GOODS

RETON BROS. STOCK OF HOLIDAY GOODS FOR 1915 IS LARGER AND BETTER THAN EVER BEFORE. COMPLETE LINES. LATEST IN STYLES.

IVORY PYROLIN TOILET ARTICLES
GOLD and SILVER WATCHES

CUT GLASS

OPERA GLASSES

MONOGRAM PINS

FINE CHINA

FINE UMBRELLAS

Phonograph and

Victrola Records



Solid Silver and
Silver Plated Ware

Sterling and Silver

Mounted Toilet Goods

Edison Phonographs
and Victrolas

ALSO MANY OTHER ARTICLES APPROPRIATE FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS

NONE BUT THE BEST GOODS
the market affords and everything guaranteed as represented.
PRICES TO SUIT CUSTOMERS

RETON BROS.

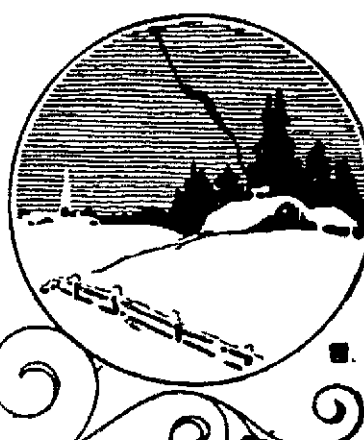
437 Main St., Stevens Point

OPTICAL GOODS

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS



Christmas Bargains



SALE DATES

December 8 to 25

15 DAYS ONLY

A Great Reduction Sale

ON

COATS and SUITS

Wednesday, December 8th to 25th--Lasting Only 15 days

At Goldberg's Fashion Shop

A Record - Breaking
SALE

Be on hand early
GREAT BARGAINS

This sale is going to mark one of the greatest events in Coat and Suit Reduction. Great Savings in Dollars for you. The line of garments we place on sale are **Absolutely New and Stylish in Every Detail.** No Shoddy Garments--No accumulations of old stock. Your judgment of such high priced garments marked down to rock bottom, will surely warrant your buying. **You cannot afford to pass up this Great Sale.**

Coats at \$7.50, \$10, 12.50 and \$15

Lot 1--Choice Coats in Good Fabrics
Regular values to \$12.50

Sale Price, \$7.50

Lot 2--Coats, Values
\$12.50 to \$15.00

Sale Price, \$10

Lot 3--Plain and Fur Trimmed Coats
Great Styles, Values to \$22.50

Sale Price, \$12.50

Suits at \$5, \$9.95, \$12.50 and \$15

Lot 4--Biggest Bargain--Famous "Redfern"
Coats, Formerly Sold to \$30 and \$35

Sale Price, \$15.00

Sensational as the Price Reduction on Coats, the Slaughtering of Prices on Suits are Even More Marked. You Must See Them to Appreciate what Wonderful Bargains They Are.

Select Your
Garments While
Stock is
Unbroken

Goldberg's Fashion Shop

Hitch Your Dollar to
the Biggest Load it
Ever Carried at
Goldberg's Sale

COUNTY BOARD ADJOURNS.

The county board of supervisors completed the work of its annual session last Saturday morning, after holding an evening session on Friday, and adjourned.

At Thursday afternoon's session the board awarded the contract for publishing the official proceedings to The Gazette and Journal. It was also voted to have the proceedings published in the Polak in the Polish language and circulated in supplement form by the Almond Press and the Amherst Advocate.

The salaries of county officers, together with the amount of their surety bonds, were set on Friday, with no change from the preceding year.

The Waupaca Sand & Gravel Co.'s proposition to pay the county 50 cents a car load for sand and gravel taken from the county farm at Amherst Junction was accepted. The company agrees to furnish to the city, the county or any town or village in the county screened sand or bank run gravel at 50 cents per cubic yard of 2,800 pounds and screened gravel at 50 cents per cubic yard of 2,600 pounds, providing it is to be used strictly for highway purposes.

NELSONVILLE.

Simon Soli has bought Guy Diver's house for the sum of \$500.

Clara Hankey spent Saturday and Sunday at her home near Nelsonville. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wenne and children spent Sunday at the home of Albert Engom.

Willie Abrahamson of South Dakota is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nels Abrahamson.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Sletne went to Minneapolis last Thursday for a week's visit with relatives.

CATHOLIC KNIGHTS ELECT.

The election of officers of Branch No. 11, C. K. of Wis., took place last Sunday evening, when the following elections were made:

President--John Leahy.
Vice Pres.--Louis A. Krembs.
Rec. Sec.--John W. Glennon.
Fin. Sec.--A. J. Ounneen.
Treasurer--J. W. Dunegan.
Sentinel--N. Kalaschinske.
Trustee three years--G. W. Hein.
Delegate to state convention at Shkosh--N. Jacobs.
Alternate--G. W. Hein.

HIGH SCHOOL NOTES.

Mr. Silas was absent from school Monday, due to a severe cold.

The date for the orchestra dance has been changed from Dec. 10 to January 7th.

The tryouts for the debating team will be held this afternoon. About twenty boys will try for places.

This evening after school there will be a mothers' meeting at the Second ward building. Miss Mary O'Keefe and Supt. Snyder will be the speakers.

The athletic association is planning on giving a box social in order to raise money to purchase sweaters for the football men. The date has not been decided upon.

Morris Gullikson, Leslie Bourn, Harold Bronson and Ferdinand Krembs are members of the basketball squad who have been unable to practice for a few days on account of sickness.

Tuesday afternoon Mr. Snyder made the statement that never before in the history of the school have there been so many absent at one time through sickness. Tuesday afternoon there were seventy-five absent from school.

The basketball schedule is not completed but games may be secured with the following High schools: Appleton, Green Bay, Chippewa Falls, Neenah, Medford, Marshfield, Wausau and Waupaca. Basketball practice is held every Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at 4 in the Normal gymnasium, and prospects are good for a fast and winning team. Mr. Murrish has posted a notice to the effect that any person dropping out of basketball due to any reason other than sickness or injury will not be eligible for a letter.

At a meeting of the Clonlian literary society the following officers were elected:

President--Frances Goder.
Vice Pres.--Florabelle Rogers.
Secretary--Birdie Ellis.
Treasurer--Bertha Glennon.

The society held its open meeting at the close of school last Friday. Much enthusiasm is being shown. Later in the year a declamatory contest will be held. Four will be chosen to represent the society at a contest with the Italian society. Four of the eight will then be chosen to represent the school. Those having the two highest places may enter the

district meet. If first place is won at the district gathering the state contest may be entered. The results last year were good, considering that it was the first year the High school took any part in declamatory work. The program for the open meeting was as follows:

Duet--Violin and flute.....
.....Miss Humphrey, Mr. Steckel
Reading, "Naughty Zell".....
.....Frances Goder
Vocal Solo.....Mr. Silas
Original Story.....Elizabeth Kimball
Violin Duet.....
.....Loretta Pagel, Merle Atkins
Piano Solo.....Virginia Carley

EAU PLEINE.

Anton Anderson spent Thursday at Stevens Point.

Gustav Borth, Sr., went to Stevens Point Sunday.

Harry Swanson made a trip to Wausau on Monday.

Evart Wicklund and Chas. Swanson were at Stevens Point Friday.

Mrs. G. Berg and Bennie Berg made a trip to Stevens Point Saturday.

Harold Berg has made a couple of trips to Stevens Point to see a dentist.

A meeting was held at the Clover Valley cheese factory last Saturday evening.

Josephine Swanson of Stevens Point spent a week with relatives and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Koch and Wm. Gustafson spent one day at Stevens Point last week.

A cheese factory meeting is to be held at the "four corners" on Thursday of this week.

Alf Lillyquist, who was employed in South Dakota during the summer, returned last week.

Gust Borth, Jr., Fred Swanson and N. P. Swanson were Stevens Point callers one day last week.

Ladies' Aid of the Swedish Free church meets at the home of Chas. Swanson next Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Mathilda Wicklund returned from Minneapolis last week, after spending a couple of weeks with friends.

We guess our people are doing their Christmas shopping at Stevens Point, alright, for everybody is making a trip there.

Mrs. Ed. Martin and Miss Bessie Anderson of Stevens Point spent a couple of days with their parents, Ole Anderson and wife.

Mrs. Chas. Kocian and Mrs. H.

Brown of the north county line spent one day last week at the home of Fred Swanson and Wm. Koch.

PLOVER.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gee left for their home at St. Paul Tuesday.

Joe Flatoff has made an application to the town board for a license to conduct a saloon at Meehan station.

Mrs. William Carley was operated upon at a hospital at Oshkosh, Saturday, and is getting along very nicely.

Walter Moore, who has been railroading in Washington during the apple harvest, returned home Tuesday.

Mrs. Forest Bourn and children of St. Paul, who had been visiting here for a week, returned home Wednesday.

The 1915 village taxes are about one-third less than they were last year, for which all property owners are truly grateful.

Thirty-one Royal Neighbors attended the 12 o'clock dinner given by the local society last Friday. All old officers were re-elected.

"Deadshot Dave" returned from his hunting trip around Draper, Wis., last Wednesday. Dave says he had about 50 shots but the deer were all too far away and going too fast. He doesn't care for venison anyway.

MEEHAN.

A nine and one-half pound baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Parks, Nov. 30.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Slack and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Clusman were visitors at McDill Sunday.

Mrs. Hannah Shultz of Rudolph has been spending a week or so here with friends and relatives.

Miss Valeria Fox went to Alma Center Tuesday, where she may decide to spend the winter.

Walter Clusman, who had been out near Los Angeles, Cal., the last year, returned home last week.

Our school under the supervision of the teacher, Miss Verna Miller, is preparing a Christmas program.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Fox and children drove down to Biron Sunday and spent the day at the home of W. D. Beadle.

Chas. Parks of Stevens Point has commenced hauling a winter supply of wood from the Parks-Wagner land south of here.

Several of our citizens have been summoned to appear at the county

seat this week as witnesses in E. J. Thompson's trial.

Wagner and Singer are hulling clover seed around here this week. They have a good machine and clean the seed up nicely.

KNOWLTON.

August Buelow and family have moved from Junction City to Knowlton.

Carl Neuman of Junction City visited for several days at the home of his brother-in-law, Aug. Buelow, who with his family recently moved here from Junction City.

APPLICANT GETS RATTLED.

M. Loftis, a prominent resident of Buena Vista, was in town last Monday, coming up as witness for one of his neighbors who desired full citizenship papers. While being examined in court the would-be citizen became badly confused and located Wisconsin's capitol at St. Paul. Because of this and one or two other errors he will not become a full fledged American before next spring.

AN INSTITUTE AGAIN.

Retail Merchants Association to Co-operate With Normal Faculty in Community Event.

A meeting of the Retail Merchants' Association was held Monday evening when the matter of having another Community Institute was brought up for discussion. It will be remembered that an institute was held here last January, when it was pronounced the most successful affair of the kind yet given in Wisconsin, and served materially to create a more fraternal feeling between the people of this city and our rural neighbors. J. W. Dunegan, A. M. Copps and John F. Sims made enthusiastic talks in favor of the proposition, each offering to lend material aid towards the necessary finances and in preparing a suitable program. It was voted to begin the necessary arrangements, the preparation of a program being left to Mr. Sims and his assistants at the Normal school.

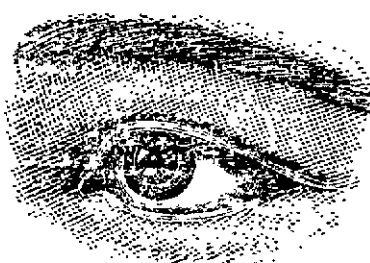
The question of leasing or installing a set of scales for weighing hay, potatoes, etc., on the market square, was also discussed. A majority of the members present concluded it would be more advisable to ask that the council lease one of the scales now in commission.

LOSS IS THOUSANDS.

Fire that is supposed to have resulted from the explosion of an acetylene tank completely destroyed the plant of the Felker Brothers Manufacturing Co. at Marshfield last Saturday night and did considerable damage to the S. Miller Fruit Co.'s building nearby. The fire was one of the most disastrous to occur in Marshfield in years and the total loss is upwards of \$30,000, which is largely covered by insurance. The Felker plant manufactured galvanized tanks, water troughs and bridge supplies and Mayor Felker is one of the members of the firm. Plans are already in the making for rebuilding the factory on a larger and better scale.

Dr. J. M. Johnston

(DOCTOR OF OPTOMETRY)



An Optometrist or eyesight specialist of many years' experience, is visiting Stevens Point on the first and third Thursdays of each month.

HIS NEXT DATE WILL BE Thursday, Dec. 16

at Dr. Card's, 1004 Main Street.

Dr. Johnston has had an extended experience in Detroit, Chicago and Wisconsin, is an author of Optical text books and other literature and is widely recognized as among the leading optometrists of the state.

CHICHESTER'S PILLS

THE DIAMOND BRAND
Ladies! Ask your Druggist for
Chichester's Diamond Brand
Pills in Red and Gold metallic
boxes, sealed with Blue Ribbons.
Take no other. Buy of your
Druggist. Ask for CHICHESTER'S
DIAMOND BRAND PILLS, for 30
years known as Best, Safest, Always Reliable
SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE

For Wall Paper and Paints
PICTURE FRAMING AND TRAYS

Have just received a large
shipment of CHRISTMAS
DECORATIONS.

V. S. PRAIS
Opposite Postoffice

WILSON IN HOUSE

President Delivering His Third Annual Message to Congress.



Photo by American Press Association.

PRESIDENT URGES HIS PREPAREDNESS VIEW

Annual Message Is Delivered to 64th Congress.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—For the third successive time President Wilson delivered to congress his annual message from the speaker's stand in the house to the joint session. The delivery of the message occupied less than an hour and many of the passages were greeted with applause from both sides of the chamber. The speaker's stand was decorated for the occasion in bunting and flowers. Speaker Clark announced the president, and the message was read without preliminaries. It was evident the president was familiar with his manuscript, as his eyes were on its pages only a small part of the time.

The galleries assigned to the justices of the supreme court, the diplomatic reservation and press galleries were filled.

The president's fiancée, Mrs. Norman Galt, was an interesting spectator to the proceedings.

National preparedness was the main theme of the head of the nation. He declared that if the full navy program is carried out we will have a fleet for defense that will be "fitted to our needs and worthy of our traditions." He declared the greatest danger to the country comes from within our borders. He submitted a definite plan to increase the present standing force of regulars and for four hundred thousand citizen soldiers raised in increments of one hundred and thirty-three thousand.

PERIL TO WILSON IS SEEN

Public Reception to President at Ohio Statehouse Carries Danger.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Unusual precautions will be taken to protect President Wilson when he goes to Columbus, Ohio, Friday. Tension in the international situation is one cause and a direct suggestion from government authorities at Columbus is another. It is learned a government official came from Columbus to Washington last week to advise the President against permitting the county Democratic reception to be held in the rotunda of the state capitol.

SIX TURK VESSELS ARE SUNK

British Submarine Sends Destroyer and Other Boats to Bottom.

LONDON, ENG.—The Turkish torpedo boat destroyer Yar Hissar has been sunk in the Sea of Marmara by a British submarine, it was announced in a British official statement. A supply steamer and four sailing vessels also were destroyed by the submarine on Dec. 3 and 4.

Big Battle Begun in Mexico. DOUGLAS, ARIZ.—Fighting has begun between Carranza forces and the Villa column commanded by General Jose Rodriguez, near the Nababi ranch, twenty miles west of Esqueda, Sonora, reports received here stated. No details were received.

Italian General Dies in Battle. ROME — General Trombi has been killed in the fighting before Gorizia, it was officially announced.

GERMANY BALKS RECALL DEMAND

Two Notes Ask Reason for Action Against Attaches.

STAND OF KAISER IS UNUSUAL

Customary When Diplomat Is No Longer Desirable for His Government to Recall Him—U. S. Not Likely to Reveal Information—May Not Guarantee Safe Passage.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The state department has received two communications both asking an explanation of the request by this government for the recall of Captains Boy-Ed and Von Papen, German naval and military attaches, respectively.

Count von Bernstorff presented to the department a communication asking for the reasons for the request for the withdrawal of the attaches, and later the department received another inquiry on the request for the Boy-Ed and Von Papen inquiry from the Berlin foreign office, transmitted by Ambassador Gerard. It was made known officially here that the United States would decline to go into the question of facts on the subject and would not disclose the sources of its information.

In connection with von Bernstorff's note, it was stated authoritatively that the ambassador would under no consideration ask the United States to get safe conducts for the attaches. The German government was represented as considering it incumbent upon the United States to return the attaches in safety to German territory and bring their successors here.

Germany May Control Withdrawals.

It develops from the state department's answer that other incidents than the Archbald case and the testimony at the trial of the conspirators of the Hamburg-American line were considered by the United States in asking that the attaches be withdrawn. Germany will contest the withdrawals. If the department replies that those two incidents alone were responsible the withdrawal will take place without further inquiry or protest. Even then, however, Germany will consider that under the circumstances the United States must open the way for the attaches to leave the country.

The embassy was represented as considering that it and the attaches stand before the bar of public opinion. In such circumstances the understanding is that the embassy will deny that the attaches have in any way been connected with anything under attack other than the Archbald incident and the testimony in the federal court in New York.

Germany Violates Precedent.

Under all diplomatic usage it is only necessary for the United States to indicate to Germany that the attaches are persona non grata, and it is not necessary to give a reason for asking their withdrawal. The German ambassador's action therefore came as a distinct surprise to officials here.

May Go Without Safe Conduct.

Officials of the state department refused to express their opinions for publication, but it is known they are of the opinion that should Germany decline to ask for safe conducts for the attaches, the men may have to leave the country without them. It was pointed out that the men could with safety proceed to Mexico. To attempt to reach Germany without safe conducts would, however, be an extremely hazardous undertaking. The department does not consider itself bound to get their successors here.

PLOTTER SUSPECTS TAKEN

U. S. Secret Service Men Arrest Foreigners with Chemicals.

NEW YORK — Acting under instructions from William Flynn, chief of the secret service, detectives took to police headquarters for investigation Eugene Kluger, described as a Hungarian typesetter, his wife and Anton F. Mente, an Austrian. In Kluger's apartment the detectives say they found a large consignment of chemicals and explosives. The three were detained pending an investigation concerning the presence of the explosives in the flat.

The detectives say they trailed Mente for several days, observing his acts at various steamship docks both in New York and Hoboken.

DIVER ATTACKS U. S. VESSEL

American Steamer in Mediterranean Sends Call for Help.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Official confirmation of the attack on an unidentified American steamship by a submarine in the Mediterranean has been received by the state department. American Minister Croppers at Athens cabled that the Greek government had notified him that a wireless message had been caught from an American vessel saying it was being attacked.

Italy Votes Government Confidence. ROME — The chamber of deputies voted confidence in the government by an overwhelming majority.

PLOTTERS WORK AGAINST SHIPS

"Accidents" Cripple Outgoing Steamers in Two Oceans.

ONE PUTS INTO PORT ABLAZE

British Steamer Carlton Rushes to Halifax With Sugar Cargo on Fire—Fay and Aids Indicted for Conspiracy to Commit Murder—Charge Involves American Ship Plotting.

HALIFAX, N. S. — With fire raging in No. 2 hold, the British steamer Carlton arrived in port with 7,300 tons of sugar on board. Captain Henderson at once reported to the admiralty.

"What was the cause of the explosion?" the captain was asked.

"What is the cause of them all?" he replied. He said the ship was rolling heavily when the fire was discovered and he was not sure whether an explosion had occurred.

The steamer Carlton of Newcastle sailed from New York with sugar last Thursday bound for Queenstown for orders. The fire was discovered Saturday afternoon and the smoke was so dense it was impossible to make an investigation. Steam was forced into the hold and the hatches were securely fastened down. The Carlton then raced for Halifax.

Fay Accused of Murder Plot.

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Five additional indictments were returned against Robert Fay, Walter Scholz, Max Bretting, Dr. Herbert Kienzie, Englebert Bronkhorst and Paul Darehe. All were charged with conspiracy to commit murder, to commit assault with deadly weapons and to destroy ships. The previous indictments against them merely charged them with attempting to destroy ships.

Fay, who says he is a lieutenant in the German army, and his associates were originally arrested on charges of conspiring to blow up ships carrying munitions to the allies. Fay claimed to have invented a device which could be attached to the propellers of the ships and which would be exploded by the movement of the vessels.

The original charge referred to ships presumably owned by the allied nations. The new indictments specifically state that the alleged conspiracy was directed against Americans and ships owned in part or whole in this country.

VENIZELOS PARTY TO IGNORE NEW ELECTION

Greek Constitution Overridden He Charges.

PARIS — Eliphtherios Venizelos, ex-premier of Greece, has issued a manifesto addressed in the name of the liberal party to the people of his country advising abstention from voting in the forthcoming general elections. The manifesto was issued Nov. 21, but its transmission by telegraph was prevented by the Greek government, and it has just reached Paris by mail.

The manifesto calls attention to the fact that the internal crisis was brought about solely by the wresting of power from those whom the people had confided in at the last election. "Day by day," says M. Venizelos, "the constitution is deformed into a simple scrap of paper, and we find ourselves at present in a devolution from our policies amounting to suppression of the constitutional regime."

BROTHER WILL SAVE JUDGE

Will Make Good Shortage of \$10,000 in Jurist's Accounts.

MUSKEGON, MICH. — That shortages, if any, in the accounts of Probate Judge Frank W. Van Winkle of Oceana county will be repaid by his brother, Fred Van Winkle, a millionaire miller of Nebraska, who recently came here to make arrangements for such a course, it is reported, was the assurance given out by the official's friends.

It is believed that the losses that may be sustained by a number of estates will aggregate more than \$10,000.

Editor I. N. Stewart Dead.

MILWAUKEE, WIS. — I. N. Stewart, seventy-seven, for ten years editorial writer on the Milwaukee Journal, principal of a number of high schools, former member of the Wisconsin legislature and a veteran of the civil war, died here.

Colorado Dry Law Upheld.

DENVER, COLO.—The authority of Colorado to enact and enforce statewide prohibition was upheld by the state supreme court in an unanimous opinion written by Justice W. H. Gabbert.

DR. KARL BUENZ

Goes to Prison for Unlawful Aid to German Vessel.



Photo by American Press Association.

A GENERAL SURVEY OF THE WAR.

Thursday, Dec. 2.—The Teutonic sweep in the Balkans has been shifted to an 80-mile front in Montenegro, where, Berlin reports, two towns and 4,000 prisoners have been taken.

Serbian reinforcements to Monastor, which the defenders still hold, and declare that the city can be saved from the invaders.

Lord Kitchener, arriving in London, has resumed his place in the cabinet. Kitchener is reported to have urged continuing the campaign at the Dardanelles and increasing the allied forces in the Balkans fourfold.

Berlin reports from Turkey claim defeat of the British force marching to Bagdad, with a loss of 5,000 men. The Turks claim the British have been driven back 106 miles.

Italy has finally got off the fence regarding the Balkans and is landing troops at Avlona, Albania, and pledges liberal aid to Serbia, becoming a full entente ally in the near East campaign.

Food riots in Berlin, reported from Berne, Switzerland, have resulted in 200 people being shot. Germany denies serious rioting but admits a demonstration.

Friday, Dec. 3.—A Berne telegram states that at the recent meeting of the Austrian and German emperors it was agreed between the rulers that the partition of Serbia was to be consummated at two solemn ceremonies, one at Nish and the other at Belgrade. The country is to be apportioned between Bulgaria and Austria.

Russ troops are reported to have entered Bulgarian territory.

Berlin reports 1,300 Serbs captured. Teutons have occupied Monastir. The demand for the recall of Captains Boy-Ed and Von Papen, military and naval attaches of the German embassy, by the U. S. is expected to strain further the relations between the two governments.

Saturday, Dec. 4.—The reports concerning the British reverse near Bagdad agree, and show that without reinforcements the British forces, outnumbered four to one, will be in the same position as before the campaign in Asia Minor begun.

Roumania's attitude still draws most interest in the Balkans. London has become too skeptical regarding Balkan policies to announce anything favorable in the declaration by Bucharest that after Monday Roumania will commandeer any foreign ships in her ports. Generally the attitude of Roumania is regarded as favoring the entente allies.

The Serbians continue to resist the Austrian advance near the Montenegrin border. The Teutonic forces are rounding up as many isolated units as possible, and Berlin reports the capture of 2,000 more prisoners in the day's mountain fighting.

Sunday, Dec. 5.—An Iron-clad pact between the entente allies, including Japan, pledges each of the signatories not to conclude a separate peace during the present war, and when terms of peace are discussed no one of the five nations will demand any conditions without previous agreement with the other powers.

The Rome Tribuna correspondent asserts that the purpose of Emperor Williams' visit to Vienna was to secure Austria's co-operation in a Teuton-Turco expedition into Egypt, and that Emperor Franz Josef refused such aid, contending that all Austrian troops are needed to defend the western front against Italy.

Slavs and Magyars in Austro-Hungary are mutinying on account of the Germanization of the country.

A Bulgar victory over retreating Serbs near the Albanian border and the capture of 100 cannon is claimed by Berlin.

Roumania has ordered all ports on Danube in her territory closed to foreign trade. The order strikes at the shipment of munitions to the Teuton-Turco forces.

WHITEHEAD IS NAMED PEACE LEAGUE HEAD

Former Wisconsin Senator Accepts Place from Taft.

JANESVILLE, WIS. — John M. Whitehead of Janesville, former state senator, has been asked by former President Taft to become temporary state chairman of the Wisconsin branch of the League to Enforce Peace, and has accepted the appointment. He has written Judge Taft asking for more details as to plan of organization contemplated in Wisconsin.

Senator Whitehead is not one of those who believe in "peace at any price," but has been a believer of arbitration in case of disagreement between nations. He was one of the signers of the original petitions for a world congress for peace.

The league is nonpartisan as far as party politics are concerned, its membership comprising men of prominence from all political organizations, the plan in question having been worked under the leadership of Alton B. Parker.

PROF. KELSO'S BABY KILLED

Auto Driver Loses Control and Machine Tears Over Sidewalk.

MADISON, WIS. — Paul Kelso, two months old baby of Professor L. E. A. Kelso of the University of Wisconsin, was killed and Professor Kelso severely injured by an automobile driven by William Roe, a young man, on the Regent street hill.

Roe lost control of the car as he was driving down the hill and it ran up on the sidewalk where Professor Kelso was wheeling his child in a baby buggy. The child was thrown from the buggy and the wheels of the automobile passed over its body, crushing it to death. Professor Kelso was hit by the car and severely hurt.

ROSE BUSH DEFIES WINTER

Beautiful Blossoms, but Odorless, Burst Forth Despite Snow.

DELAVER, WIS. — Many people in this vicinity have been attracted to the rear yard of Mrs. B. B. Drake, where a winter rose is the magnet.

This splendid variety of the specie is in full bloom, having been in blossom all fall and thus far this winter, regardless of the snow and ice covering it has had. The young blossoms and buds are of white, and the blossoms remaining on the bush, last from one to three months, changing their hue, similar to a hardy Hydrangea. The older blossoms measure about two and one-half inches. They have no odor, but are luxurious.

IS FOUND GUILTY OF MURDER

Man as Usual Gets It in Neck—Double Standard?

RACINE, WIS. — The murder trial of Mrs. Mara Kosala and George Zabajnak, charged with having poisoned the woman's husband, Simon Kosala, on May 4, came to an abrupt close when, by stipulation, Zabajnak was allowed to plead guilty to murder in the second degree and was sentenced to twenty years in state prison. The woman, who pleaded guilty to manslaughter in the fourth degree, was given a prison term of two years, but sentence was suspended.

WISCONSIN TO STERILIZE 25

Ten Patients Recover; 15 More Will Be Operated Upon Before Jan. 1.

MADISON, WIS. — Operations on fifteen additional patients at Chippewa Falls under the sterilization law will be made before Jan. 1, according to a statement made by officials of the state board of control. Secretary M. J. Tappins reports that the first ten operations were entirely successful, and that it is planned to have the additional operations soon.

All of the patients who have been operated on have had the consent of the relatives given.

BY HIS BRAIN, OR HIS LUCK?

Anyhow, Story of This Man Is Good Ad. for University.

BELOIT, WIS. — Guy L. Cole of Fort Atkinson, who a year ago was a student at the State School of Mines, has capitalized his knowledge to the extent of \$125,000 by the sale of mining property he has developed at Carthage, Mo., according to information received by relatives here.

He has sold one property for this sum, with an additional royalty privilege, and has several other promising prospects in Southwest Missouri.

100 SEEK MISSING HUNTER

Eighteen-Year-Old Wisconsin Boy Unheard from Over Week.

MEDFORD, WIS. — Nearly 100 Medford citizens joined in the search for the eighteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Christ Dable who has been missing since Nov. 29. He left home on that day and has not been heard of since.

Up to Dec. 2 it was thought he was visiting with friends. It is feared that he was killed.

WISCONSIN BRIEFS

Sues for Injuries at Camp Randall. MADISON, — Asserting that he was injured when the north bleachers collapsed at Camp Randall during the Wisconsin-Minnesota football game on Nov. 20, W. A. Tanner, Milwaukee, has instituted proceedings demanding \$3,000 damages. Summons have been served on P. A. McHugh Chicago, who, it is alleged, constructed the bleachers.

Fined on Technicality. LA CROSSE, WIS. — Because he drove two cows across the Mississippi river wagon bridge when he removed from La Crosse to a farm across the river in Minnesota, William Lockwood violated the quarantine of the foot and mouth disease last March. He pleaded guilty to the charge and was fined \$100 and costs.

Woman Killed at R. R. Crossing. PLYMOUTH, WIS. — Mrs. Andrew Bidlingmeir of this city was killed by a passenger train of the Chicago & Northwestern road at a grade crossing near the depot. She was accompanied by her husband when the locomotive struck her. Both her legs were severed. Death was almost instantaneous.

Pastor Files Damage Suit. SHEBOYGAN, WIS. — The Rev. August Dutz, former pastor of the Zion church in Batavia, this county, has filed suit for \$4,919.17 damages against A. F. Habermann, C. Schneider and G. Fritsche, alleging that he was degraded by the defendants and his reputation as a minister of the gospel ruined.

State Fair Between Sept. 9 and 17. MADISON, WIS. — The Wisconsin state fair will be held between the dates of Sept. 9 to Sept. 17. These dates were given to Wisconsin by the American Association of Fairs and Expositions during its twenty-fifth annual convention at the Auditorium in Chicago on Dec. 2 and 3.

Farmer Accidentally Shot. CUMBERLAND, WIS. — Robert Miller, living seven miles northwest of here, was accidentally shot while hunting rabbits. He tried to scare some rabbits out of the brush with his shotgun, when the gun discharged, the contents tearing a hole in his right hand.

Rules Any Elector Is Eligible. MADISON, WIS. — The attorney general advised District Attorney C. J. Sumner of Delavan that members of a county state road and bridge committee may be chosen from the electors of a county and need not be members of the county board of supervisors.

Compensated for Being Beaten. MADISON, WIS. — Edmund B. Ryan, a foreman for A. J. Hewitt on a Milwaukee sewer construction job, was awarded compensation under the workmen's compensation law for injuries caused by a laborer who fractured Ryan's skull with a shovel.

Demands \$1,860,000 for Straphanging. MADISON, WIS. — Alleged failure to furnish the number of seats required for passengers in street cars under their control led to the filing of suit against the Milwaukee Electric Railway and Light company for penalties aggregating \$1,860,000.

Chlorine Fumes Overpower. MAIRNETTE, WIS. — Deadly chlorine fumes, like those used on European battlefields, rendered Flora Malecker, student of the Stephenson Training school, unconscious. Prompt use of a pulmotor saved her life.

Former Beloit Strikes It Rich. BELOIT, WIS. — It is reported that Guy L. Cole, formerly of Beloit and Fort Atkinson, has recently sold some mine holdings at Carthage, Mo., for \$125,000 cash, and that he has other valuable leases to develop.

Double Twins in Herd. MERRILL, WIS. — Otto Wendler of the town of Corning has two Holstein cows, which, with their calves, are attracting all kinds of attention. Within the space of a few days, each cow gave birth to twins.

Killed When Hit by Stone. ANTIGO, WIS. — Struck on the head by a stone thrown at him by Walter Wolfe at Monico, a man bearing the name of Singer died at a hospital in Rhinelander as the result of his injuries.

Salesman to Be Postmaster. MENASHA, WIS. — John Schriebs has been recommended by Congressman M. K. Reilly for postmaster at Menasha. Mr. Schriebs for the last several years has been a salesman.

Five Hunters Killed. MILWAUKEE — Five Wisconsin hunters were killed in the north woods this year while seeking deer. In 1914 there were twenty-four fatalities. The season ended at midnight Tuesday.

Former Medford Boy Enlists. ELKHORN, WIS. — Forrest M. Rushaw, formerly of Medford, has enlisted in the Sixty-fifth battalion of Canada. There are 100 Americans in his regiment.

THE CLOSING EVENTS

Fine Crowd Participates in Concluding Festivities at the New Parish House.

The Parish House of the Church of the Intercession has been opened with all the formality the occasion demanded; the handsome building with its opportunities for wholesome play, entertainment and social advancement, consecrated to the practical exemplification of Christian principles, has taken its place among the city's other institutions, with bright prospects for successfully attaining that degree of usefulness so ardently desired by those who made it possible.

Following the dedication on Tuesday of last week, when Bishop Weller delivered the address, the concluding events of the "house warming" and formal opening were carried out Wednesday. The bazaar was in operation throughout the day and in the evening a crowd of about 400 enjoyed a turkey dinner, followed by a complimentary dancing party for the young people, music for which was furnished by Weber's orchestra, which was in attendance throughout the evening. The entire evening was one of thorough enjoyment, characterized by brilliancy that added much to the auspicious nature of the event.

From a financial standpoint the two-day festivities were highly satisfactory, approximately \$700 being realized to place to the credit of the Parish House association.

As an illustration of outside interest in the Parish House, the following, from the Fond du Lac Commonwealth, is of interest:

"The dedication of the new parish house of the Church of the Intercession at Stevens Point Tuesday evening marked an important milestone in the history of that congregation and the community which only a few months ago suffered a heavy loss by fire. It is an interesting coincidence that Bishop Weller, who dedicated the new parish house, was for many years the rector of the Church of the Intercession. Many former residents of Stevens Point are now residents of Fond du Lac and while following the progress of their old home city with keen interest will tender their sincere congratulations on the completion of this handsome parish house."

Interest on the outside also manifested itself in another way, the following donations of money having been received: From Thomas Parkhill and Lafayette Parkhill, Fairmount, N. D., \$25 each; from Clarence Parkhill, Shawano, Wis., \$10; from Mrs. Frances Parkhill Hayden, Stevensville, Mont., \$5.

BOOK OF LYRICS.

Dr. G. L. B. Rounseville, a former resident of Milladore and a man who has many friends in this city and vicinity, is the author of a volume of "Tall Timber Lyrics," just issued from the office of The Marshfield Times. Besides being a member of the medical profession, Dr. Rounseville had experience in journalism and frequently wrote verses for publication here and there. It is stated that he is now an inmate of the Odd Fellows' Home at Mattoon, Ill., a victim of anemia and with little hope of recovery.

A GIFT SUGGESTION.

If you have a friend or relative in some distant place who formerly resided in Stevens Point or Portage county, you could present him or her with no Christmas gift that would afford more lasting or genuine pleasure at small expense than a subscription to The Gazette. The Gazette covers the news of the community completely and in a manner that commands the interest of its readers; without seeming to be egotistical we might say that as a "home paper" it has few equals. We will be glad to send The Gazette for six months, a year, five years or ten years at the rate of \$2 per annum to anyone you name, so long as he resides in the United States; foreign subscriptions \$2.50.

Portage County—City of Stevens Point—In Justice's Court—ss. To Garry Wollenschlager: You are hereby notified that a summons and garnishee has been issued against you, and your property garnished to gratify the demand of C. E. Emmons, amounting to Twelve and fifty one-hundredths (\$12.50) dollars; now unless you shall appear before G. L. Park, a justice of the peace in and for said county, at his office in said city of Stevens Point, on the 28th day of December, A. D. 1915, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, judgment will be rendered against you, and your property sold to pay the debt.

Dated this 6th day of December, 1915.

C. E. Emmons, Plaintiff.
Fisher, Hanna & Cashin,
Plaintiff's Attorneys.

AGED BROTHER DIED.

Daniel Timm, brother of Mrs. Amanda Neumann of Stevens Point, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Hulda Mundinger, at Manawa on Nov. 23. Death came after a long illness, which was mostly attributed to old age. Mr. Timm was born in Pomeria, Germany, and was 86 years of age. He came to this country in 1855 and at various times resided at Bloomfield and Butternut, in this state, and at Lakefield, Minn. He is survived by ten children, two brothers and the one sister, Mrs. Neumann.

YOUNG MAN SUMMONED.

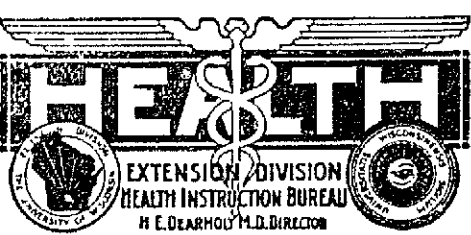
Ralph Mainland, Member of Prominent Oshkosh Family, Dies at Princeton, N. J.

James Mainland went to Oshkosh Monday to attend the funeral of his nephew, Ralph Sinclair Mainland, who died at Princeton, N. J., last Friday afternoon.

The deceased was twenty years of age last September 13 and was a second year student at Princeton University, which he entered after graduating from Phillips Exeter Academy at Andover, N. H. He had also attended the Oshkosh Normal and besides being a strong student was active in athletics, particularly tennis and basketball. His death came very unexpectedly, resulting from an infection of the face, due, it is stated, to a cut on his lip. His mother, Mrs. William Mainland of Oshkosh, reached his bedside only an hour before he passed away.

Besides his father, who is one of the principal owners of the Stevens Point Lighting Co., and his mother, the young man is survived by a sister, Miss Mary Bell, and two younger brothers, Bruce and Lowell.

The funeral was held from the residence at Oshkosh Monday afternoon.



Dwellers in Glass Houses

When I read some of the hysterical criticisms of Dr. Haiselden of Chicago who decided to let a hopelessly defective baby die rather than to attempt to save its almost certainly worthless life, practically the same idea flashed into my mind that is set forth by a writer in "The New Republic." He says it so much better than I could that I will quote:

"At a time when politicians and generals have to decide almost every day whether to purchase a trench or hill at a cost of so many human lives, the death of a helpless baby has set a whole nation talking. This happens to be a nation which cannot boast that it cares supremely about babies, for hundreds and thousands of them die every year of preventable causes. They die of tenements which could be ventilated, of milk that could be kept clean, of neglect that could be remedied."

That isn't all that he said but I don't care so much for the rest for the reason that it was written from a New York city viewpoint and the New York city viewpoint is not the Wisconsin viewpoint. Large city social workers commonly attribute high death rates to poverty, grasping landlords, greedy employers, and other causes of that sort that aren't so common with us. And yet we have a much higher death rate than we should have right in our rural district where clean air and sunshine are abundant and free; where there are few landlords; where employers have to beg for workers at good wages; and where mighty few commonly industrious people need to go hungry.

What is the condition which is responsible and which is to be found both in rural Wisconsin and in crowded New York city? Ignorance! And the antidote for Ignorance is Education. And here is my point: If as much talk and printers' ink as was used on the case of that defective Chicago child were spent upon babies and grown-ups who are now doomed to die for the want of a little knowledge, thousands of worthwhile lives could be saved. You have no right to condemn Dr. Haiselden for letting that baby die without his medical skill unless you are using your power to save lives by your means that are just as good in the instances I refer to as were his in the Chicago instance. If this argument has interested you, I'd like to have your name and address on a postal card. I don't want to beg anything from you or to sell anything to you. Instead, I'll send you something for nothing from time to time.

PORTAGE COUNTY TO HAVE FARM EXPERT

Board of Supervisors Appropriates Money For Engagement of Agricultural Agent.

Portage county is to have an agricultural agent—a man who is familiar with practical and scientific farming methods and who can teach others what he knows.

This was decided at last Thursday's session of the county board of supervisors, when Supervisor G. L. Park's resolution providing for the engagement of the expert was passed by a vote of 22 to 8. The text of the resolution follows:

"Whereas, the State of Wisconsin has provided that the agricultural college may assist the agricultural interests in each county by furnishing competent teachers and superintendents to supervise and instruct the farmers on better methods of farming and stock raising in counties where no agricultural school is maintained, and the State of Wisconsin will pay the sum of \$1,000 per annum toward the expenses and salary of said superintendent.

"Now therefore, in accordance with the provisions of Section 553-q-1 to Section 553-q-8, inclusive, relative to the establishment of County Agricultural Representatives,

"Be it resolved by the county board of supervisors of Portage county in annual meeting assembled, that Portage county establish and maintain an agricultural representative, in accordance with said statute, and

"Be it further resolved, that there be appropriated from the general fund of the said county the sum of \$1,000, annually, for two years, to supply the county's share in maintaining such agricultural representative and \$200 for incidental expenses, and

"Be it further resolved that the chairman of said board appoint a committee of three on agriculture to co-operate with the college of agriculture in securing, controlling and directing said agricultural representative, and that the headquarters of such representative and committee be established at the poor farm."

The poll of the members resulted as follows: Ayes—Brekke, Hamilton, Smith, Wilson, Starks, Sawyer, Berry, Tovey, Timm, Laszewski, Jordan, Halverson, Gordon, Pratt, Coddington, Gilbert, Lukasavitz, Park, Playman, Jurek, Carpenter, Aldrich; nays—Brunker, Tetzloff, Wolf, Norton, Stertz, Frost, Wanta, Mansur.

Before the balloting commenced, J. W. Dunegan, cashier of the First National bank, owner of Portage county farm land and one of the originators of the movement for a county agent, was granted permission to address the board. Mr. Dunegan has made a study of the question and he gave many sound reasons why Portage county should engage a farm expert.

Four or five years ago, Mr. Dunegan stated, some of the leading interests that are vitally interested in agricultural prosperity started a survey of farming conditions. They investigated the subject exhaustively and disclosed the surprising fact that the average income of the American farmer was less than \$50 per month. As a result of this activity such concerns as the International Harvester Co., and the Soo, Rock Island, Northern Pacific and Great Northern railways began a campaign of education, in which the federal and state agricultural bureaus also took a prominent part. Some concerns even went so far as to advance money to farmers who desired to improve the quality of their live stock and crops, and a general awakening in favor of better agricultural conditions took place.

The methods of reaching the farmer have changed as the work grew; first it consisted principally of the distribution of bulletins, then farmers' institutes were established, and finally, in order to make the campaign a personal matter and thus give the movement the necessary force, agricultural agents began to be engaged. Oneida county, Wisconsin, was the first in the United States to hire a farm expert, this being in 1912, but there are now 1,000 similar agents in the 48 states.

In discussing the subject, Mr. Dunegan mentioned the wonderful results accomplished in Illinois, where land is valued at many times what it is in this county, also in Nebraska, and briefly touched upon farming conditions in Europe, where land must, because of the density of population, be worked to a point of maximum production. In Belgium, he said, land has been rented for as high as \$40 per acre. He also answered some of the common objections to the county agent plan.

Passing on to the duties of agricultural agents, he compared them to those of the "efficiency experts" of large corporations and the secretaries of organizations such as the Wisconsin Bankers' association and the Retail Hardware Dealers association—men who are always on the watch for new ideas, who aim to reduce costs, who correct mistakes and in general work for the advancement of those interests to which they are devoted. Thus it is with the farm expert; it is his business to advise with the farmer, to figure out whether the individual farm, on the basis of cost, is a paying proposition, to tell the farmer what to do in case the soil on his farm is deficient, and to assist him in every other way to make the farming industry more profitable. Too much should not be expected from the agent the first year in Portage county, he said, although beneficial results are certain to result. This county, it must be remembered, presents some serious problems and the solution of them, together with the carrying out of corrective measures, involves time and careful study. One man cannot revolutionize conditions in a year, nor in two or three, but he can work up gradually to a point where agricultural conditions in the

county are on a practical, scientific basis.

The man who owns 80 to 160 acres of land has an investment that is greater than that of the average merchant with whom he deals, said Mr. Dunegan, and he must apply business methods to its conduct if he is to be adequately successful. In Belgium, he continued, farmers study their soil conditions and continually replenish their land with properties that have been drawn upon. In this course the farm expert is a valuable aid, and farmers of fourteen Wisconsin counties that maintain agricultural agents have benefited thereby. There has been no case where the agent plan, once tried, has not been continued and six counties of Wisconsin have this year renewed their contracts.

Explaining the interest of Stevens Point people in the movement, Mr. Dunegan pointed out that the business men of the city realize the importance of the agricultural interests. It is the biggest industry the county has, and any advance it makes must be felt in all other lines of business. Thus while the city is anxious to see the farmers prosper from the fact that the business men here would share in their good fortune, this attitude is not entirely the result of selfish motives, and local people are only too glad to assume their proportion of the cost, which must be raised by taxation.

Among the others who spoke in favor of the resolution were W. B. Angelo and Supervisors Coddington, Sawyer, Smith and Park. Mr. Coddington gave some illustrations of what the county agent does, citing, among other things, the analyses of soils.

Portage county's agricultural agent will be chosen with discretion. A plain, every-day sort of a man, one who is familiar with practical as well as theoretical farming methods and who is not afraid of work, must be secured if the greatest amount of good is to be accomplished. That is the kind of a man it is intended to secure, and when he comes to start his activities it will be up to Portage county's farmer residents to cooperate with him and make use of him.

LODGE HAS BANQUET.

Members of Phoenix Lodge No. 33, Knights of Pythias, together with their ladies, sat down to a banquet at their hall on the South Side on Tuesday evening of last week. At the conclusion of the repast toasts were given, cards played and a general good time enjoyed by the forty or more present.



CHRISTMAS IS COMING FAST. IN ALMOST NO TIME IT WILL BE HERE. OUR FINE LINE OF GOODS AND OUR LOW PRICES WILL AGAIN MAKE A "RUSH" OF BUYING IN OUR STORE.

LET US ADVISE YOU NOT TO PUT OFF YOUR CHRISTMAS BUYING ANY LONGER. COME THIS WEEK SO YOU CAN CHOOSE IN COMFORT WHAT YOU NEED.

IF YOUR MIND IS NOT MADE UP COME TO US; FOR WHAT YOU CAN SEE WILL HELP YOU MAKE YOUR CHOICE. DON'T WAIT. BUY NOW.

OUR REST ROOM IS FREE. COFFEE IS FREE AT OUR PENNY LUNCH COUNTER.

The People's Supply Co.

Just North of Public Square

Going Out of Business

BOSTON FAIR STORE

We Have Decided to SELL OUT Our Entire Stock of CHINAWARE, GLASSWARE, CROCKERY, GRANITEWARE, LAMPS, HOUSEHOLD GOODS, MILLINERY, NOTIONS, TOYS, and all our BIG STOCK OF HOLIDAY GOODS. In Fact EVERYTHING in our Store must be SOLD.

THE ABOVE MERCHANDISE WILL POSITIVELY BE SACRIFICED AT
NEARLY HALF PRICE

Right now before the Holidays you will surely need these goods, and buying them here One Dollar will buy as much as you can get elsewhere for \$2.00.

Below we quote you prices on a few of the many BARGAINS we offer you at this sale:

DINNER SETS

Fifty Dinner Sets in French, Austrian, English and American ware. These are going at a discount during

33 cent

SPECIALS ON CHINAWARE

100 Piece Dinner Set, gold band, regular \$11.00 value. Sale price.....**\$8.45**
112 Piece China Dinner Set, formerly sold at \$28, sale price.....**\$13.50**
112 Piece Austrian China Dinner Set, regular \$18 val., this sale....**\$10.95**
\$25.00 Austrian China Dinner Set at this sale for.....**\$12.50**

At One-Half Price

Albums, Postal Cards, Toilet Sets, Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, Etc.,

At One-Half Price

FANCY PARLOR LAMPS

Our big stock of Fancy Parlor Lamps is offered the public...**Way Below Cost**

CUPS, SAUCERS and PLATES

1,000 Pieces of Cups and Saucers, Fancy Plates and China pieces, 25 and 35c values, sale price.....**15c**

GLASSWARE SPECIALS

Water Sets, Table Sets, Berry Sets, etc., etc., at**Below Mfgs. Cost**

\$1.00 and \$1.25 Articles and Toys will be sold during our Big Going Out of Business Sale at.....**75c**
50c and 65c Articles at.....**38c**

35c and 25c Articles at.....**15c**
All 10c Toys, Etc.....**6c**

All 5c Toys, Etc.....**3c**

THIS IS POSITIVELY A GOING OUT OF BUSINESS SALE and the way we have Cut the Prices on Everything in our Big Stock is Sure to Close it Out in a Hurry. Be sure to attend this SALE, as a look will convince you of the WONDERFUL MONEY SAVING BARGAINS WE OFFER AT THIS SALE.

GOING OUT OF BUSINESS

OPEN EVENINGS

I. SHAFTON

HIDES AND FURS WANTED

→ BY ←

JOSEPH OKRAY & BROS.

217 PUBLIC SQUARE